

### Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A mechanism by which meta-data may be created and associated with a given page description language file. This meta-data could be considered as either a page description language complexity or raster image processor time estimate. The meta-data is derived via a complexity factor and (optionally) an accuracy factor. The meta-data may be utilized for raster processor page/surface ordering, preflight optimization, viewing optimization, or other embodiments.